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Despondent/Barricaded Subject
ESU Response – Taser use

Chester

09/28/05
1515 hrs

On the above date and time State Police Troop F received a complaint of a despondent person at a private home on 3 Ridge Road in the town of Chester. Further information from the complainant revealed the Subject was in possession of a firearm. Upon arrival of State Troopers the perimeter of the residence was secured. TFC Adam Brown initiated a dialogue with the despondent Subject. Supervisors made an on scene assessment and the State Police Emergency Services Unit was summoned to the scene. The State Police ESU Tactical Team and a negotiator responded to the scene.

During the course of this incident, Ridge Road was closed and all neighboring residents were evacuated as a precaution for their safety. The Chester Elementary School was also in "lockdown" for a short time until the neighborhood was secured.

After approximately a two-hour standoff, TFC Brown was able to continue the dialogue and he was able to lure the Subject out the threshold of the door. At this time a State Police Tactical Team member utilized a Taser weapon to subdue the subject and take him into custody. The Subject was secured without incident or injury.

This was the first time that a Connecticut State Police Trooper has utilized a Taser Gun in an emergency situation. This use was deemed to be a successful one due to the final outcome of this incident.

The male Subject was found to be intoxicated and was transported to Middlesex Hospital on an emergency committal for medical and psychological evaluation.

State Police will continue the investigation into this incident.

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